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SUBJ: HUMAN RIGHTS VETTING FOR CAMBODIAN NOMINEES FOR AN FBI "CULTURAL HERITAGE INVESTIGATIONS" COURSE IN SIEM REAP, CAMBODIA ON JULY 20 - 21, 2009

¶1. This is an action cable. See Paragraph Six.

¶2. Reftel is guidance for screening nominees for U.S.-sponsored training programs.

¶3. Post requests a Leahy vetting response from the Department by May 12, 2009. The individuals listed below will attend an FBI Cultural Heritage Investigation Course scheduled for July 20 - 21, 2009 in Siem Reap, Cambodia. To comply with the Leahy amendment relative to U.S.-sponsored security assistance training, the U.S. Embassy Phnom Penh conducted local human rights vetting for the following individuals selected for the referenced training:

NOMINEES:

NAME: CHEA, Sophat (Male)
DPOB: February 02, 1952; Siem Reap
POSITION: Deputy Director
RANK: Police Brigadier General
DEPT/UNIT: Department of Patrimony Protection Police

NAME: LIM, Sokharaksmey (Male)
DPOB: March 29, 1975; Phnom Penh
POSITION: Deputy Director
RANK: Colonel
DEPT/UNIT: Department of Patrimony Protection Police

NAME: THAP, Sarith (Male)
DPOB: June 2, 1961; Siem Reap
POSITION: Deputy Director
RANK: Colonel
DEPT/UNIT: Department of Patrimony Protection Police

NAME: SIN, Sarith (Male)
DPOB: July 6, 1960; Siem Reap
POSITION: Deputy Director
RANK: Colonel
DEPT/UNIT: Department of Patrimony Protection Police

NAME: MANN, Choeun (Male)
DPOB: May 5, 1961; Battambang
POSITION: Chief of Unit
RANK: Lieutenant Colonel
DEPT/UNIT: Department of Patrimony Protection Police

NAME: OM, Phirom (Male)
DPOB: January 16, 1961; Siem Reap
POSITION: Chief of Unit
RANK: Lieutenant Colonel
DEPT/UNIT: Department of Patrimony Protection Police

NAME: NUON, Than (Male)
DPOB: February 01, 1959; Kampong Thom
POSITION: Chief of Office
RANK: Lieutenant Colonel
DEPT/UNIT: Department of Patrimony Protection Police

NAME: ANG, Ouksa (Male)
DPOB: May 10, 1962; Siem Reap
POSITION: Deputy Chief of Office
RANK: Major
DEPT/UNIT: Department of Patrimony Protection Police

NAME: KOE, Phon (Male)
DPOB: October 5, 1963; Siem Reap
POSITION: Deputy Chief of Unit
RANK: Major
DEPT/UNIT: Department of Patrimony Protection Police

NAME: PEL, Damrong (Male)
DPOB: December 10, 1959; Siem Reap
POSITION: Deputy Chief of Unit
RANK: Major
DEPT/UNIT: Department of Patrimony Protection Police

NAME: LY, Hokseng (Male)
DPOB: April 25, 1957; Siem Reap
POSITION: Deputy Chief of Unit
RANK: Major
DEPT/UNIT: Department of Patrimony Protection Police

NAME: Phang, Sarith (Male)
DPOB: May 5, 1960; Siem Reap
POSITION: Deputy Chief of Unit
RANK: Major
DEPT/UNIT: Department of Patrimony Protection Police

NAME: KEAT, Bunthan (Male)
DPOB: May 4, 1974; Siem Reap

POSITION: Deputy Chief of Unit
RANK: Major
DEPT/UNIT: Department of Patrimony Protection Police

NAME: KOY, Chanthol (Male)
DPOB: February 12, 1956; Kampong Cham
POSITION: Deputy Chief of Unit
RANK: Major
DEPT/UNIT: Department of Patrimony Protection Police

NAME: TAB, Teng (Male)
DPOB: January 6, 1963; Siem Reap
POSITION: Chief of Section
RANK: Captain
DEPT/UNIT: Department of Patrimony Protection Police

NAME: NEM, Sarun (Male)
DPOB: May 15, 1956; Siem Reap
POSITION: Chief of Section
RANK: Major
DEPT/UNIT: Department of Patrimony Protection Police

NAME: NGATH, Arunnara (Male)
DPOB: July 16, 1959; Siem Reap
POSITION: Deputy Chief of Unit
RANK: Major
DEPT/UNIT: Department of Patrimony Protection Police

NAME: LIEM, Mala (Male)
DPOB: April 14, 1965; Siem Reap
POSITION: Chief of Section
RANK: Major
DEPT/UNIT: Department of Patrimony Protection Police

NAME: SUN, Sokthea (Male)
DPOB: June 8, 1964; Siem Reap
POSITION: Chief of Section
RANK: Captain
DEPT/UNIT: Department of Patrimony Protection Police

NAME: MEN, Samoeun (Male)
DPOB: June 1, 1959; Siem Reap
POSITION: Chief of Section

RANK: Captain
DEPT/UNIT: Department of Patrimony Protection Police

NAME: TAN, Chaychivorn (Male)
DPOB: February 20, 1982; Siem Reap
POSITION: Chief of Section
RANK: Captain
DEPT/UNIT: Department of Patrimony Protection Police

NAME: CHEA, Kemsan (Male)
DPOB: August 8, 1976; Siem Reap
POSITION: Deputy Chief of Section
RANK: Captain
DEPT/UNIT: Department of Patrimony Protection Police

NAME: HING, Heang (Male)
DPOB: July 13, 1973; Siem Reap
POSITION: Chief of Section
RANK: Lieutenant
DEPT/UNIT: Department of Patrimony Protection Police

NAME: SAM, Sayan (Male)
DPOB: November 11, 1960; Siem Reap
POSITION: Chief of Unit
RANK: Lieutenant Colonel
DEPT/UNIT: Department of Tourism

NAME: CHIM, Parssiddhi (Male)
DPOB: March 1, 1956; Siem Reap
POSITION: Deputy Chief of Unit
RANK: Major
DEPT/UNIT: Department of Tourism

NAME: SUONG, Sengkim (Male)
DPOB: May 4, 1969; Siem Reap
POSITION: Deputy Chief of Unit
RANK: Major
DEPT/UNIT: Department of Tourism

NAME: DOR, Samol (Male)
DPOB: February 7, 1963; Kampong Chhang
POSITION: Deputy Commissioner
RANK: Colonel
DEPT/UNIT: Kampong Chhang Provincial Police

NAME: OR, Heng (Male)

DPOB: September 3, 1959; Pursat
POSITION: Deputy Commissioner
RANK: Colonel
DEPT/UNIT: Pursat Provincial Police

NAME: PEN, Rithy (Male)
DPOB: December 10, 1957; Svay Reang
POSITION: Deputy Commissioner
RANK: Colonel
DEPT/UNIT: Battambang Provincial Police

NAME: LACH, Savin (Male)
DPOB: March 1, 1957; Siem Reap
POSITION: Deputy Commissioner
RANK: Colonel
DEPT/UNIT: Siem Reap Provincial Police

NAME: MEAS, Sophana (Male)
DPOB: May 20, 1955; Phnom Penh
POSITION: Deputy Commissioner
RANK: Colonel
DEPT/UNIT: Preah Vihear Provincial Police

NAME: ENG, Hoeurng (Male)
DPOB: February 1, 1955; Kandal
POSITION: Deputy Commissioner
RANK: Colonel
DEPT/UNIT: Kampong Cham Provincial Police

NAME: OURN, Hgang (Male)

DPOB: March 3, 1954; Kampong Chhang
POSITION: Deputy Commissioner
RANK: Colonel
DEPT/UNIT: Siem Reap Provincial Police

NAME: CHAO, Ciphal (Male)
DPOB: October 9, 1965; Phnom Penh
POSITION: Chief of Office
RANK: Lieutenant Colonel
DEPT/UNIT: Pailin Provincial Police

NAME: CHHOEUM, Sophan (Male)
DPOB: August 6, 1968; Battambang
POSITION: Chief of Office
RANK: Lieutenant Colonel
DEPT/UNIT: Banteay Mean Chey Provincial Police

NAME: KEO, Hour (Male)
DPOB: December 10, 1959; Kampong Thom
POSITION: Deputy Commissioner
RANK: Lieutenant Colonel
DEPT/UNIT: Siem Reap Provincial Police

NAME: NHUL, Vuth (Male)
DPOB: January 1, 1957; Prey Veng
POSITION: Deputy Commissioner
RANK: Lieutenant Colonel
DEPT/UNIT: Kampong Thom Provincial Police

NAME: THAP, Sarun (Male)
DPOB: April 4, 1964; Siem Reap
POSITION: Deputy Chief of Office
RANK: Major
DEPT/UNIT: Odor Mean Chey Provincial Police

NAME: NOCH, Vano (Male)
DPOB: April 10, 1958; Kampong Cham
POSITION: Deputy Chief of Office
RANK: Captain
DEPT/UNIT: Preah Vihear Provincial Police

NAME: PHON, Sokun (Male)
DPOB: January 11, 1962; Battambang
POSITION: Chief of Section
RANK: Captain
DEPT/UNIT: Kampong Thom Provincial Police

NAME: CHEA, Chuoen (Male)
DPOB: February 1, 1970; Kandal
POSITION: Chief of Section
RANK: Lieutenant
DEPT/UNIT: Bantea Mean Chey Provincial Police

NAME: PHEAN, Phearom (Male)
DPOB: February 7, 1965; Battambang
POSITION: Chief of Section
RANK: Second Lieutenant
DEPT/UNIT: Kampong Cham Provincial Police

¶4. U.S. Embassy Phnom Penh has reviewed its files and finds that, as of this date, it possesses no credible information of gross violations of human rights by the above-mentioned individuals.

¶5. The individuals listed above will attend an FBI Cultural Heritage Investigation Course scheduled for July 20 - 21, 2009 in Siem Reap, Cambodia. This course will provide the participants with an understanding of the fundamentals of cultural heritage and art theft investigation management as it pertains to the collection and preservation of evidence.

¶6. Please verify whether the Department possesses any credible information that the individuals named above have been implicated in gross violations of human rights. Post requests a Leahy vetting response from the Department by July 10, 2009.

¶7. Point of contact for Amembassy Phnom Penh is Jenae Johnson at johnsonjd3@state.gov or tel: 855-23-728-118, or Melissa Daggett at

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